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PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR STATE'S COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT, LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHAT:

The Tennessee Department of Human Services will conduct a public hearing on the 2008-2009 State Plans for its Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), and Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). The Community Services Block Grant Program assists low-income individuals and families with emergency services, job development, adult education, and other self-sufficiency programs. The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program assists low income households in meeting their home energy needs. Benefits include assistance for heating and cooling costs. The Weatherization Assistance Program assists low income households with weatherizing their homes to decrease their energy bills. Benefits include the installation of insulation and other energy saving procedures.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 19, 2008

9:00 a.m. CST

WHERE: Citizens Plaza State Office Building

2nd Floor Auditorium 400 Deaderick Street Nashville, TN 37243-1403

MORE: Information concerning the hearing should be addressed to:

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Copies of the draft State Plans will be available in the State Office on the day of the hearing, or in advance of the hearing by contacting the number above. Written comments on the State Plans will be accepted at the above address through the close of business February 29, 2008.

Any individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these public hearings should contact the Tennessee Department of Human Services to discuss services needed to facilitate participation in the hearing. Contact should be made no less than ten days prior to the date of the public hearing to allow the Department time to provide needed services.

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